In the claims

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Please replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application with the following list of claims:

1. (Previously presented) A method for treating an allergic condition other than asthma in a subject, comprising:

administering to a subject having an allergic condition other than asthma an isolated polymer in an effective amount to treat the allergic condition, wherein the polymer comprises repeating units of a charge motif characteristic of *B. fragilis* polysaccharide A (PSA), the motif being a positively charged free amino moiety and a negatively charged moiety selected from the group consisting of carboxyl, phosphate, phosphonate, sulfate, and sulfonate, and wherein the allergic condition is not eczema.

- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the motif is a positively charged free amino moiety and a negatively charged moiety selected from the group consisting of phosphate, phosphonate, sulfate, and sulfonate.
- 3. (Currently amended and withdrawn) The method of claim [[1]] <u>98 or 99</u>, wherein the administering comprises delivering an aerosol of the polymer to an airway of the subject.
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the subject is free of symptoms otherwise calling for treatment with the polymer.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the polymer is a polysaccharide.
- 6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the polymer is a bacterial capsular polysaccharide.

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7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the polymer is PSA1.

8-16. (Canceled)

- 17. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the method further comprises administering to the subject an anti-allergy medicament selected from the group consisting of glucocorticoids, antihistamines, and anti-IgE antibodies.
- 18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the administering comprises administering multiple doses of the isolated polymer.

19-97. (Canceled)

- 98. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 1, wherein the allergic condition other than asthma is hayfever.
- 99. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 1, wherein the allergic condition other than asthma is allergic rhinitis.
- 100. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 1, wherein the allergic condition other than asthma is allergic conjunctivitis.
- 101. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the allergic condition other than asthma is urticaria.
- 102. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 1, wherein the allergic condition other than asthma is food allergy.